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Re: U.S. Patent Application No.: 09/574,341  
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Entitled: **POLICY BASED PROVISIONING OF NETWORK DEVICE RESOURCES**  
Attorney Docket No: 102689-6 / 00-U0004

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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing are the following documents:

1. Preliminary Amendment;
2. Nine (9) pages of amended informal drawings;
3. One (2) pages of Specification; and
4. Return Postcard.

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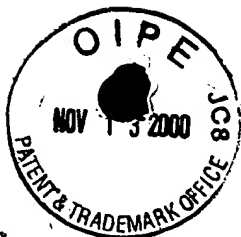
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Dear Sir:

Prior to examining the above-referenced patent application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification

✓ On page 18, line 30, following "central processor 12 over Ethernet network", please delete "32" and insert therefor - - 41 - -.

✓ On page 19, line 9, following "control and data over Ethernet", please delete "32" and insert therefor - - 41 - -.